

# HAMPTON, PHOEBUS AND OLD POINT.

## VANDYKE TO FACE COURT TOMORROW

Grand Jury Returns True Bill Charging Criminal Assault.

## NEGROES ENGAGE AN ASSISTANT IN PROSECUTION

Hampton White Man to Stand Before Bar of Justice at 10 O'clock in the Morning Accused of Most Serious Crime Against a Negro in History of Elizabeth City County.

E. A. Vandyke will tomorrow morning be placed on trial in the Circuit Court of Elizabeth City County to answer an indictment charging him with criminally assaulting Rebecca Taylor Chandler, a nine-year-old negro girl. It will be the first case on record in this county in which a white man was tried for so serious an offense against a colored person.

Judge Edgar E. Montague, commonwealth's attorney, will be assisted in prosecuting Vandyke by Burdette A. Lewis, who was engaged yesterday to assist in the prosecution by a number of negro men. Play S. Collier will defend Vandyke.

**Verdict of Grand Jury.**  
After spending three hours investigating the case yesterday afternoon, a special grand jury returned an indictment against Vandyke, charging him with rape. The indictment sets forth that the accused criminally assaulted the girl, but does not hold him responsible for the child's death.

The jury was composed of Hunter R. Booker, foreman, W. W. Richardson, T. A. Cooke, R. L. Mason, George W. Rowe, Thomas J. Haskins and Charles D. Parker. The jury heard the physicians who attended the dead girl and the mother of Vandyke's alleged victim. There are other witnesses to testify before the petit jury when the man goes on trial for his life tomorrow morning.

The fact that the indictment was so hurriedly returned by the grand jury caused Judge Robinson to decide upon trying the charge against Vandyke tomorrow. The trial is set to begin at 10 o'clock and a special jury from the Back River or Harris Creek section will be summoned today, from which the twelve men to determine the guilt or innocence of Vandyke will be drawn.

**Little Known of His History.**  
Vandyke is said to have several brothers living in Atlanta, Ga., but very little is known here of the history of the man accused of the revolting crime. Those who know him say that Vandyke has always been square and fair in his dealings with them and they are at a loss to understand just what prompted him in committing a crime of such a serious character, in the event that he really did so.

The feeling among the colored people has been intense, but they have declared from the day of the arrest that the law should be allowed to take its course and therefore no feeling of resentment has been permitted to grow.

The quick action of the Circuit Court and the speedy work of Dr. George K. Vanderslice, the coroner, following the child's death are being appreciated by the negroes, as well as the white people.

The crime is alleged to have been committed on Back river road, near the bridge, and not in the city limits of Hampton, as has been said by some. Vandyke is alleged to have taken the children from their home near the cross roads and carried them

on the oil wagon out to the scene of the alleged deed.

**May Not Admit Statement.**  
In as much as no official dying statement was taken from Rebecca Chandler, it is claimed the fight to free Vandyke will be strengthened, as it is now said that Mr. Collier, who represents the prisoner, will oppose allowing the girl's admissions to go before the jury as evidence. The child made several statements of the crime, but none of them were taken as the law requires.

## SOCIAL-PERSONAL.

Mr. M. H. Morgan, who has been in Baltimore for a day or so, will return to the city this morning.

## TO PAINT MAIL BOXES.

Postmaster Libby Makes Suggestion to Rural Box Owners.

Postmaster Harry Libby has received from the Post Office Department a circular letter, earnestly requesting patrons of the Rural Free Delivery to paint their boxes and the posts to which they are attached a pure white. This course, if pursued, will not only result in benefit to the patrons in serving to protect their boxes and posts from damage by weather, but will give all boxes a uniform color, and serve to fix identity in all parts of the country as United States mail boxes and will give them a more stately appearance than they now possess. It is also desired that patrons be induced to print their name and box number on their boxes in black letters about two inches high. Posts to which the boxes should be attached shall be set in an easily accessible position on the side of the road, and boxes securely fastened to a projecting arm of wood, or to a bracket of hand iron about three-sixteenths of an inch thick. It is hoped that patrons will show their appreciation by endeavoring to carry out the recommendation of the department.

## TWO YEARS FOR DOWNING.

Negro Convicted in Circuit Court of Betrayal of Mary Smith.

John Downing, a negro, was sentenced to spend two years on the roads of Virginia by Judge Clarence W. Robinson, in the Circuit Court, after he had been found guilty of betrayal by a jury. Downing was accused of having betrayed Mary Smith. He offered to marry the girl after the jury had returned its verdict, but the girl was unwilling and so was the court, so John will break rocks on the roads.

Judge Montague prosecuted the youth, while Mr. B. A. Lewis represented Downing.

Judge Robinson also sentenced Robert Allen, who was convicted of complicity in the Temple murder, to spend five years on the State roads.

## SCHMELZ PARTY BACK.

Hampton Banker Returns From Southern Trip and Panama Canal Visit.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Lane Schmeltz, Miss Margaret Schmeltz and Mr. James G. Darden, who have been on a seven weeks' tour of the South and the Panama Canal, returned to the city last night. The party left Hampton early in March and went directly to Panama, where they made a trip along the big ditch which Uncle Sam is digging in that section. From Panama Mr. Schmeltz and his party returned to New Orleans and then proceeded to Florida, where they spent some time with Mr. Schmeltz's daughter, Mrs. Balzelle, the wife of Dr. John A. Balzelle, in Miami.

Mr. Schmeltz said last night that the trip was delightful in every way and that his visits to the canal proved one of the most enjoyable and profitable he has taken in years.

Mr. Darden, who accompanied them from New Mexico, and has been Mr. Schmeltz's guest for several months.

## JAILED IN RICHMOND.

Hampton Man Sentenced for Annoying Ladies in Theaters.

Frank Hopkins, a carpenter who formerly lived in this city, was given twelve months in jail by Justice Crutchfield in Richmond yesterday for annoying ladies at a theater.

Hopkins was arrested in Phoebus on a similar charge several weeks ago. The mayor allowed the man to leave town, and he went to Richmond.

**Smith's Body is Recovered.**  
The body of John L. Smith, the negro boatman, who was drowned while attempting to go from Clarke's Wharf to the schooner Emma, in Mill Creek Saturday night, was recovered last night. A party of men succeeded in locating the body near the spot where Smith went down, and finally brought it to the surface of the water with oyster tongs. Dr. George K. Vanderslice, the coroner, gave a certificate of death of accidental drowning and the remains were turned over to Undertaker W. T. Smith & Sons.

**Mr. Post is Vice Commodore.**  
In the list of officers elected by the Virginia Yacht Club Monday night and published in these columns yesterday, the type made it appear that Mr. Harry G. Parker was chosen the vice commodore. Mr. Walter A. Post, of Newport News, was elected vice-commodore and Mr. Parker was chosen the rear commodore.

**New Grocery Store.**  
The Star Grocery Store, the latest bidder for popular favor in the grocery business here, will open this morning in the Collier building. The new store will be managed by Edward S. Bush and will be up-to-date in every way. 13

## HUNDREDS ATTENDING CONVENTION SESSION

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(c) Election of central business committee 1910-1911.  
Other business.

A Song Service—Convention chorus. Eighth Session.  
Thursday morning, Freemason Street Baptist church.

9 a. m.—Morning song service.  
9:14 a. m.—"The Quiet Hour," Rev. George W. McDaniel, D. D.  
Simultaneous Convention Institute, 9:30 to 10:45 a. m., Rev. A. L. Phillips, D. D., director.  
Attend the one which treats of your branch of the work.

Freemason Street Baptist Church.  
Home Department Work, Room A—Miss L. Nettie Hammer, presiding.  
9:45 a. m.—"The Why and How of the Home Department," Rev. John Sommerlatte, Superintendent Home Department Maryland Sunday School Association.

10:15 a. m.—"Equipping the Home Department—Supplies, Novelties," Richard Wegener.  
Superintendents' Conference, Room B—J. G. Holladay, presiding.  
9:45 a. m.—"The Superintendent Planning His Programme," Mr. W. C. Pearce.

10:25 a. m.—"The Superintendent Between Sundays," Dr. A. L. Phillips.  
The Country Sunday School, Room C—E. A. Kellam, presiding.  
9:45 a. m.—"The Difficulties and Opportunities in the Country Sunday School," Hon. M. E. Walton, Woodstock.

10 a. m.—"How to Organize and Conduct a Country Sunday School," Mr. R. A. Justis, Manchester.  
10:15 a. m.—"The Rural Home Department," Rev. John Sommerlatte, Baltimore.  
10:30 a. m.—"The Organized Bible Class in the Country," Mr. W. C. Pearce, Chicago.

New State Executive Committee and Officers, Room D—President State Association 1910-1911, presiding.  
9:45 a. m.—Every member of the new executive committee and State officers for 1910-1911 are urged to be present at this meeting.

"Planning for the New Convention Year."  
Election of Department Superintendents.  
Election of general secretary.  
Budget—Expenditures—Financing the work.

Other business.  
Elementary Workers' Institute, Room E—Miss Arabella Winston, presiding.

9:45 a. m.—"Meeting the Needs of the Junior Pupils," Miss Baldwin.  
10:30 a. m.—"Teaching Problems," Mrs. Barnes.

11:15 a. m.—"Spiritual Nature," Miss Baldwin.  
At the close of the institute, assembly in Epworth Methodist church. General session of the convention.

10:50 a. m.—Song.  
11 a. m.—"The Christ of Saint Matthew," Rev. Gross Alexander, D. D.  
11:30 a. m.—"Setting a Sunday School Standard," Rev. J. T. Watts.

12 m.—"The Art of Object Teaching," Rev. C. H. Woolston, D. D., Philadelphia.

12:30 p. m.—Business.  
Convention Social Hour—1 p. m. to 2:30 p. m. Lunch served free.

**Ninth Session.**  
Thursday afternoon, Epworth Methodist church, State president 1910-1911, presiding.

2:30 p. m.—Song and praise service.  
2:45 p. m.—Devotional, scripture lesson and prayer.

3 p. m.—"Cobwebs on the Book of Rooks," Rev. John Sommerlatte, Baltimore, Md.

3:30 p. m.—Reports from the field.  
4 p. m.—"How to Secure Attention," Dr. A. L. Phillips.

A special Children Service—Free mason Baptist church.  
4 p. m.—"That Ship of Mine and Its Wonderful Sails," Rev. H. C. Woolston, D. D., Philadelphia.

## Small Crowd at Musical.

A small, but appreciative crowd attended the musical "potpourri" given in Armory Hall last night by Norfolk and Portsmouth amateurs, under the direction of Mrs. J. Griff Edwards. The songs and monologues seemed to please the audience and the performers were liberally received with applause. The monologue work of Mr. J. Griff Edwards, who gave a "disertation on the apple," was probably the best feature on the program.

## Six Months for Gable.

Arthur Gable, a white man, 50 years old, was convicted of petty larceny in the Phoebus police court yesterday and sentenced to spend six months in the county jail by Mayor L. P. Furness. He was charged with stealing \$15 belonging to W. W. Cooper.

**Newport News Couple Marry Here.**  
Mr. Henry E. Horton and Miss Bertha H. Wheeler, both of Newport News, came to Hampton yesterday afternoon and were quietly married by Rev. George W. Wray, in the parsonage of the First Methodist church.

**Will Talk on "Simple Life."**  
The rain interfered somewhat with the services at the Methodist church last night, though there was a pleasant meeting. Rev. H. W. Dunkley talked on the "Importance of Christian Work." Tonight he will speak on the "Simple Life."

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Woman Adjudged Insane.  
Lula Brooks, a negro, in Tennis Lane, Phoebus, has been adjudged insane by a commission of lunacy, consisting of Mayor L. P. Furness and Drs. G. W. McAllister and W. E. Atkins.

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